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Sir:

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1. M. Oh-e et al., "Principles and Characteristics of Electro-Optical Behaviour with In-Plane Switching Mode", *ASIA Display '95*, 1995, pp. 577-580.
2. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 60-159831, published August 21, 1985 with English Abstract.
3. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 60-159823, published August 21, 1985 with English Abstract.
4. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 1-277283, published November 7, 1989 with English Abstract.
5. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 6-347777, published December 22, 1994 with English Abstract.
6. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 60-159827, published August 21, 1985 with English Abstract.
7. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 2-211423, published August 22, 1990 with English Abstract.

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8. Japanese Patent Laid Open No. 7-104303, published april 21, 1995 with English Abstract.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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